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RESPONSE

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed January 22, 1999 ("Office Action"), please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Cancel claims 11 and 98-100.

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1. (Amended) A [pharmaceutical] composition[, comprising a mixture of active compounds] consisting essentially of (A) a [pharmaceutically active] polypeptide, [and] (B) [an enhancer compound] one or more surfactant compounds which (i) [has] have a consistency that permits [it] them to be processed into primary particles having a diameter less than 10 microns, and (ii) [enhances] enhance the systemic absorption of said polypeptide in the lower respiratory tract of a patient, and (C) optionally one or more non-hygroscopic additives, said composition being in the form of a [non-hygroscopic] dry powder suitable for inhalation from a dry powder inhaler device, wherein at least 50% of the total mass of [active compounds] (A) and (B)

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